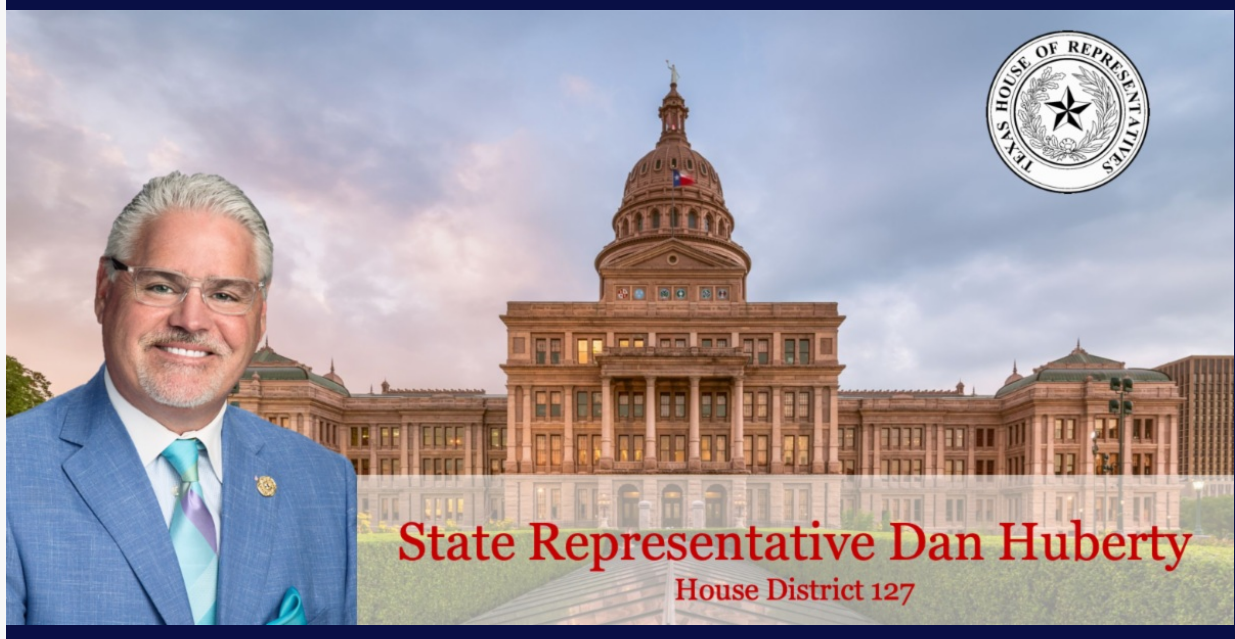


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January 22, 2021

Thank you for subscribing to my weekly newsletter. Below you will find important federal, state and local updates from the last week curated for you in one place.

This coming week, the House will convene at the Capitol on Tuesday, January 26, and Wednesday, January 27. Following instructions from Speaker Phelan, we are expected to recess until Tuesday, February 2.

Both the Texas House and the Texas Senate have filed their base budget proposals that will be used for the 87th legislative session. Both budgets are very similar to each other, and you can view the article below for more information on the initial proposed budget.

Should you have any questions about the information below, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please utilize email communication with our office during this time, via the email contact information at the bottom of this newsletter.

Sincerely,



District Office Closure

The District office will remain closed in line with suggested Stay Home, Work Safe guidelines, due to a positive COVID-19 case. The District office will remain closed throughout next week but will reopen on Monday, February 1. Please utilize email communication with our office during this time, via the email contact information at the bottom of this newsletter or district127.huberty@house.texas.gov.

87th Legislative Session

Legislative Budget Board Releases the House's Base Budget for the 2022-2023 Biennium

In a statement, Speaker of the Texas House Dade Phelan said that the base budget recommendations "maintain the Legislature's commitment to House Bill 3, the school finance reform legislation passed last session, by funding the Foundation School Program (FSP) at \$53 billion in all funds and \$41.2 billion in general revenue, an increase of \$3.8 billion. The House budget adds \$3.1 billion in general revenue to fund enrollment growth, an additional \$992 million in general revenue for tax compression; and \$1.1 billion in general revenue to replace one-time CARES Act funding provided in 2020."

A summary of the House's base budget recommendations can be found [here](#).

Rep. Huberty's Current Legislative Agenda

[HB 767](#) - Relating to best management practices for aggregate production operations.

[HB 805](#) - Relating to certain increases in benefits under the firefighters' relief and retirement fund in certain municipalities.

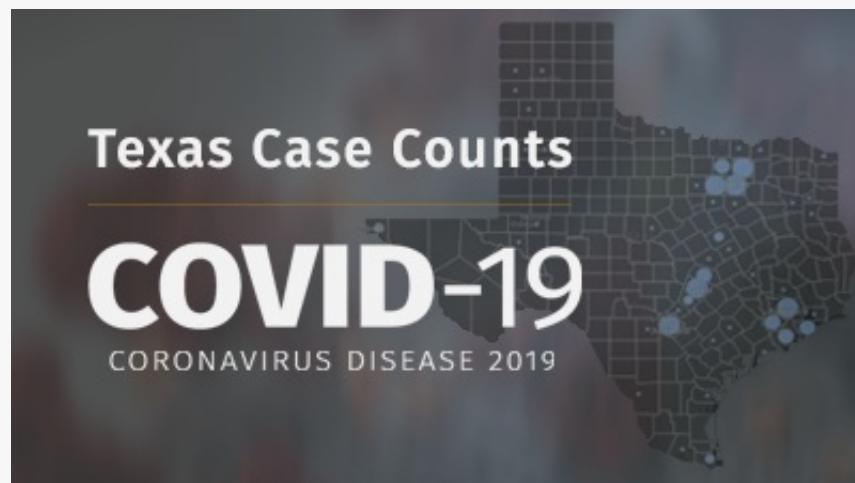
[HB 827](#) - Relating to the disclosure of vehicle speed information to a law enforcement agency by an entity that operates a toll project.

[HB 900](#) - Relating to the liability of a landlord for damages resulting from the execution of a writ of possession in an eviction suit.

[HB 1147](#) - Relating to military readiness for purposes of the college, career, or military readiness outcomes bonus under the Foundation School Program.

State Updates

DSHS: COVID-19 Case Dashboard



Texas Announces COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation for Week of Jan. 18



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Health Services

Texas Announces COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation for Week of...

This news release was updated to reflect the number of hubs on Jan. 18, 2021. The state Texas will receive 333,650 first doses of COVID-19 vaccine next week. The Texas Department of State Health Services has instructed the Centers for Disease...

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www.dshs.texas.gov

Governor Abbott Hosts Roundtable Discussion, Provides COVID-19 Vaccine Update With Houston Healthcare Professionals



Governor Abbott Hosts Roundtable Discussion, Provides...

Governor Greg Abbott today held a roundtable discussion alongside healthcare professionals at Houston Methodist Hospital to highlight his legislative priorities to ensure a healthier future for the state of Texas. Following the roundtable, the...

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Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar Releases Biennial Estimate

BIENNIAL REVENUE ESTIMATE

January 2021

Before each regular legislative session, the Texas Comptroller issues the Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE) to inform lawmakers of the funds available to spend on state programs through the next two-year budget period. Due to the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, lawmakers can expect a negative beginning balance as they begin writing the 2022-23 state budget.

Revenue Available for General-Purpose Spending

In Billions of Dollars

		2020-21	2022-23	CHANGE
General Revenue-Related (GR-R)	+	\$97.41	\$103.93	\$6.52
Tax Collections				
Other GR-R Revenue	+	\$15.03	\$15.65	\$0.62
Total GR-R Revenue	=	\$112.44	\$119.58	\$7.14
			SUBTOTAL	
Beginning Balance	+	\$4.84	-\$0.95	-\$5.79
Total GR-R Revenue & Fund Balances	=	\$117.28	\$118.63	\$1.35
			SUBTOTAL	
Revenue Reserved for Transfers to the Economic Stabilization and State Highway Funds	-	\$4.32	\$5.83	\$1.51
Amount Needed for Transfer to the Texas Tomorrow Fund*	-	N/A	\$0.27	\$0.27
Total Revenue Available for General-Purpose Spending	=	\$112.96	\$112.53	-\$0.44
			TOTAL	

* The original, non-refundable guaranteed pupil tuition program is projected to have a cash shortfall of \$271 million in the 2022-23 biennium. The BRE assumes the shortfall will be paid from general revenue.

Note: Totals may not sum because of rounding.

Glenn Hegar

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

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Governor Abbott Hosts Roundtable Discussion In Austin On Law Enforcement, Public Safety Priorities



Governor Abbott Hosts Roundtable Discussion In Austin On ...

Governor Greg Abbott today held a roundtable discussion in Austin with law enforcement and public safety advocates to discuss the Governor's legislative priorities to ensure a safer future for the Lone Star State.

[Read more
gov.texas.gov](https://gov.texas.gov)

Veterans Land Board Initiates Operation "Share the Love"

Today, the Texas Veterans Land Board announced a statewide campaign to bring Valentine's Day love to the nearly 1,000 Veterans residing in state-run nursing homes. The mission is to bring awareness from Texans that although the Veterans have had to isolate for nearly a year due to COVID-19, they are not forgotten by their nearby communities.

"The VLB team is committed to keeping our Veterans' safety at the forefront of our minds during this pandemic, but doing so certainly does not mean we can't share our love for them this Valentine's Day," said Texas Veteran Land Board Chairman George P. Bush. "Our goal is to ensure every Veteran residing in our facilities receives some love from their nearby communities and we are eager to see the response from this effort. I challenge every community across Texas to shower our Veterans with love this Valentine's Day and help us exceed our goal of 1,000 cards."



Any Texan interested in sharing a Valentine to a Veteran can mail it to a home of their choosing. The VLB asks that mailed cards be postmarked no later than February 10 and include "Valentines for Vets" on the mailing address.

USSERY-ROAN TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
1020 Tascosa Road
Amarillo, Texas 79124

RICHARD A. ANDERSON TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
14041 Cottingham Road
Houston, Texas 77048

CLYDE W. COSPER TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
1300 Seven Oaks Road
Bonham, Texas 75418
FRANK M. TEJEDA TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
200 Veterans Drive
Floresville, Texas 78114

LAMUN-LUSK-SANCHEZ TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
1809 North Highway 87
Big Spring, Texas 79720

ALFREDO GONZALEZ TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
301 East Yuma Avenue
McAllen, Texas 78503

AMBROSIO GUILLEN TEXAS STATE VETERANS
HOME
9650 Kenworthy Street
El Paso, Texas 79924

WATKINS-LOGAN TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
11466 Honor Lane
Tyler, Texas 75708

WILLIAM R. COURTNEY TEXAS STATE
VETERANS HOME
1424 Martin Luther King Jr. Lane
Temple, Texas 76504

City of Houston & Harris County Updates

Harris County Public Health Dashboard



Harris County
Public Health
Building a Healthy Community

**I-10 East FWY to be Closed in Both Directions
Between I-45 and I-69 in Downtown Houston this
Weekend**

I-10 East Freeway to Be Closed in Both Directions...

HOUSTON - The Texas Department of Transportation will close the I-10 East Freeway eastbound and westbound mainlanes between I-45 and I-69 this weekend to continue the reconstruction of the Elysian Viaduct Bridge north of Downtown Houston....

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District 127 Updates

Honoring Our Heroes

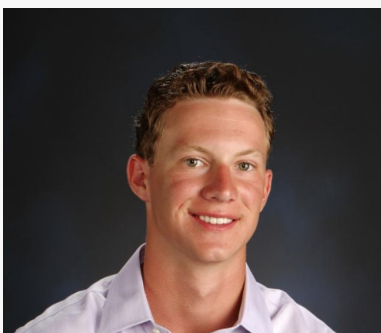


Honoring Our Heroes Presented by Light of the World...

Honoring the Lake Houston Area's greatest peace officers and firefighters, this luncheon salutes the everyday heroes that serve and protect our community. Local peace officer and fire stations honor their own at this event.

[Read more](#)
web.lakehouston.org

Staff Highlight: Ben Baker-Katz, Capitol Intern



Ben is a current sophomore at Rice University, who joined Representative Huberty's staff as an intern for the 87th Legislative Session. Majoring in History and Political Science, Ben is also serving as an editor on the Thresher (Rice's student newspaper), the President of the Rice Club Baseball team, and a representative on the University Court.

As the Capitol office intern, Ben is responsible for maintaining the front office, maintaining records, managing constituent casework and databases, answering calls, conducting research, monitoring committees, assisting with the tracking of legislation, and other activities.

A native of Evanston, Illinois, Ben spent this past summer working as a summer associate at The Strategy Group, a political consulting firm in Chicago.

In his free time, Ben enjoys cooking, reading, hiking, and taking long road trips.

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